

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	:	Before the Examiner:
Barker et al.	:	Nguyen, Steven
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Serial No.: 09/880,450	:	Group Art Unit: 2665
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Filing Date: June 13, 2001	:	
	:	IBM Corporation
Title: STM-1 TO STM-64 SDH/	:	Dept. T81/Bldg. 503
SONET FRAMER WITH DATA	:	P.O. Box 12195
MULTIPLEXING FROM A SERIES:	:	3039 Cornwallis Road
OF CONFIGURABLE I/O PORTS	:	Research Triangle Park, MC 27709

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action having a mailing date of June 14, 2006, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on September 14, 2006, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.